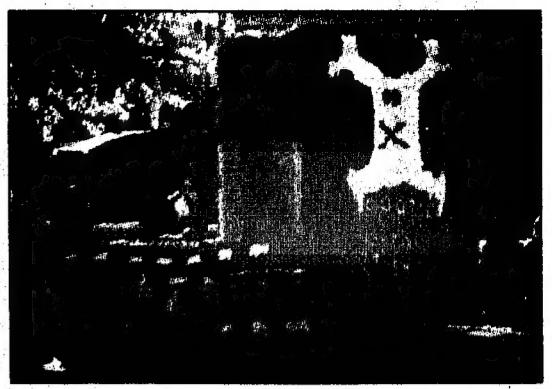




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**PROFILE**



## Far from home

**International student settles in at Northwest**

By Lisa Houtchens  
University News Editor

A lifelong dream came true this fall. Rik Hellewig, from Berg en Terblijt a small town near Maastricht, Netherlands, has always wanted to come to America to study abroad. And this fall he got the opportunity to do just that.

"I have always wanted to study in America," Rik said. "That is one of the reasons I wanted to come here to experience campus life."

When Rik was looking at universities, an adviser mentioned studying abroad.

"And he said 'yes I want to do that' and that was two years ago," Liane said. "He has said that for a long time, it was his dream."

His father, Leo, thought giving their son the opportunity would be beneficial to not only Rik but the rest of the family, he said.

"It is a great opportunity," Leo said. "And it would be a great experience coming to America."

After working for two years to save enough money to study abroad, he chose to come to a school in Missouri. Rik's first choice was to study at Missouri State and his second choice was Northwest.

Rik was accepted to Northwest and they sent applica-

tions.

As Rik began his preparation for Northwest he sifted through the school Web site to find classes that interested him for the fall trimester. But while he was figuring out classes, he found that many of the classes he wanted to take were only offered in the spring trimester.

Arriving at Northwest, he knew he was going to share a room with somebody he didn't know and he would have to use English often, he said. For the last three months he has made many friends and has changed in many ways, while studying abroad, Rik said.

His family decided to visit Rik during his sisters' fall break which was the same week as Northwest Homecoming.

His family enjoyed Homecoming week and the activities the campus and community hold such as the parade and flag raising, they said.

As part of Homecoming celebration Rik raised the flag of Holland and walked with the Intercultural and International Center in the parade.

"I enjoyed seeing Rik raise the flag," Liane said. "And meeting the people he studies with."

After the first few days being at the University, his family noticed how kind and inviting Northwest was during their visit, and how willing they were to learn about them, unlike Holland. They also noticed a difference in Rik, they said.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT RIK HELLIWEG GETS READY TO RAISE THE NETHERLANDS' FLAG FOR THE 10TH ANNUAL FLAG RAISING CEREMONY FRIDAY AT THE INTERNATIONAL PLAZA.

photo by matt terwilleger | chief photographer

### Mapping out Maastricht



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**ELECTION 2008**

**Candidates speak to college, community**

By Katie Luers  
Chief Reporter

Candidates on the Nodaway County ballot will meet during two forums tonight.

Northwest will hold a forum at 4 p.m. in the Union ballroom. Later the community will hold a forum at 7 p.m. at the Nodaway County Courthouse.

Candidates at the forum will include the two candidates for sheriff, the candidates for the fourth district representative to the state, the Nodaway County collector/treasurer and the county coroner. The Democrat candidate for state treasurer, the Democrat candidate for Nodaway County Public Administrator, the District Nodaway County Commissioner and others will also attend the forum, Student Senate Vice President Brooke Beason said.

Each candidate will be called up by position, and given five minutes to speak.

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**IIC**

## MOSAIC celebration begins today

By Shane Sherwood  
Senior Reporter

MOSAIC might appear as a conference, but it is really a celebration of life.

The Intercultural and International Center will host the Midwest Organization of Students Advancing Interculturalism today through Saturday.

The conference preparation is going more smoothly than last year, Minority Affairs Director Ame Lambert said.

The IIC faculty mainly carried the conference its first year. Last year, IIC students had a vision and ran with it, Lambert said.

Preparations began sooner this year. Students also formed committees to make sure MOSAIC is a success, Lambert said.

"This year I feel like I am more of a supporting cast member," Lambert said.

This year's MOSAIC will begin with an international film festival, unlike the past two years which began with a forum and discussion. The film festival will begin at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23 in the J.W. Jones Student Union. It will continue from 2 until 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24 in the IIC Living Room located on the second floor of the union.

"We are trying something new and having an international film festival," Lambert said.

Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. on Oct. 24 in the Performing Arts Center. The welcome and opening will begin at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center, Lambert said.

The first set of competitions are from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. after the opening. These competitions include vocal music, gospel choir, Latin dance and instrumental music, which is a new competition to MOSAIC.

Friday night entertainment consists of a speaker and a comedian, Lambert said. This is the first time both a comedian and a speaker are the entertainment. There are more presenters this year as well.

"We are expanding our view this year by having both a comedian and a speaker," Lambert said.

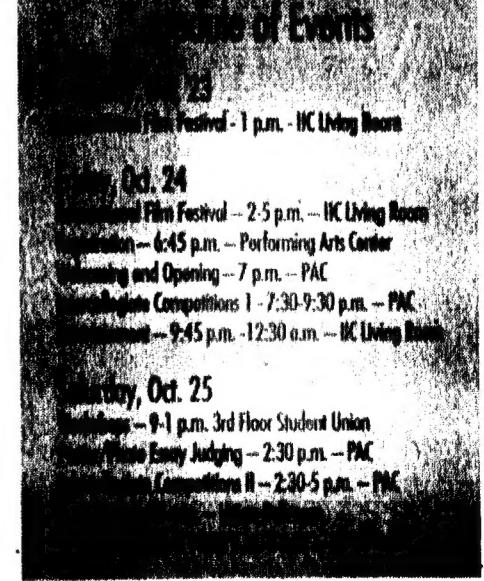
MOSAIC will continue on Saturday with morning workshops. The American Indian Pow Wow Grand Entry will take place at 2 p.m., while the conference continues with another set of competitions from 2:30 to 5 p.m.

These competitions consist of Indian

dance, poetry or original oratory, spoken word, a variety competition, high school dance, non-Greek step or dance and a photo and video essay competition.

They will be judged by a panel and will look for creativity, originality.

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**ALUMNI**

**Alumus given award for lifetime achievements**

By Katie Luers  
Chief Reporter

Fifty years after graduating from Northwest, George Maher received the distinguished alumni award.

He won the Distinguished Alumni Award because of all his life accomplishments. He received the medal and trophy at a dinner in September. The award is given out yearly and determined by a board after nominations are received, Alumni Relations Director Steve Sutton said.

Maher was dumbfounded when he heard about the award. He was honored he was chosen out of thousands of alumni, Maher said.

"At my age, the only good things you expect to hear are at a eulogy," he said.

Maher has lived in Red Oak, Iowa his entire life.

"You couldn't blast me out of the Midwest," Maher said.

He prefers friendly rural towns, but likes to have metropolitan areas nearby.

"I like to walk down the street and talk to people," Maher said.

He fought in the Korean War after high school and began college at 26 years old.

After marrying in November 1956, Maher had his first child while he was still in school. The war and school helped mature him, he said.

Being a veteran matured him quickly. It is a very "regimented" lifestyle, but it had a positive effect on his life by teaching him discipline, Maher said.

After the war he entered Northwest and graduated from the University in two years. He credits the admissions faculty member Dr. Robert Foster, who later became the seventh president of the university.

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**LOCAL NEWS**

**Area institutions honored with 2008 Missouri Quality Award**

By Whitney Keyes  
Managing Editor

Historically, Northwest and St. Francis Hospital are no strangers to winning the Missouri Quality Award.

And this year is no exception.

The two Maryville institutions won the award for 2008, given by the Excellence in Missouri Foundation.

It's the University's fourth consecutive win; Northwest received the honor in 1997, 2001 and 2005.

"I want to extend my most sincere thanks to the campus community - to Northwest's incredibly dedicated faculty and staff who work so hard to constantly improve our processes and programs and give our students every opportunity for success," President Dean Hubbard said in a statement Friday. "Everyone can take pride in the help they provided in taking us to this unprecedented level of achievement."

This will be St. Francis' third MQA, following honors in 1996 and 2004.

"We always strive to be exceptional, and we appreciate this recognition," said Gray Cox, St. Francis

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Cause of student death announced

Preliminary findings indicate the death of Joseph Dirkens, from Danbury, Iowa, died Tuesday, Oct. 1 of a heart attack that may have been caused by a hereditary condition.

Annual Powwow set for this weekend

Northwest will hold the fifth annual Powwow. Celebrating Native American Culture and tradition.

The Powwow will take place from 1 to 6 p.m. Saturday Oct. 25 at Bearcat Arena.

The event is free to the public and will feature singing, drums and dancers in full regalia.

A scholarship will also be awarded to one or more recipients that is supported by private donations and proceeds from the sale of T-shirts.

Fundraiser benefits kids in need of winter apparel

Today's Civic Women and Campus will hold the 2nd annual 'Coats 4 kids' at 1 p.m. Nov. 1 at Bearcat Stadium.

The two organizations are collecting new and gently used coats, hats, gloves and mittens to give to area children in need.

For more information contact Ray Ottman at (660) 562-1254 or e-mail at rayo@nwmissouri.edu.

Pianist to perform next week for Encore series

Encore performing arts series will continue with pianist Mac Frampton and the Three Penny Symphony, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27 in the Performing Arts Center.

Frampton is a celebrated pianist and arranger and over the last 20 years, his music has played more than 3,000 concerts around the world.

Orchestra seats are \$22 and balcony seats are \$20. Tickets can be purchased from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Student Services Center. Or call at 660-562-1212.

# CAMPUS

GEOLOGY

## Student crowned top geologist

By Stacie Zika  
Missourian Reporter

If you ask a 7-year old "What do you want to be when you grow up?" you'll probably hear something like astronaut, singer, or even "mommy" or "daddy."

But how many 7-year olds would answer that question with "paleontologist?"

At least one.

Northwest senior Ashley Leger recently won the O.R. Gravé Award. This award is a prestigious honor awarded to the top geology student in Missouri. The Association of Missouri Geologists presents this award annually.

Applicants must be nominated by a professor, have two letters of recommendation and write an essay explaining their future goals in the geological field. The committee also looks at the student's academic transcripts and what activities the student is involved in.

Leger was shocked at receiving this award. In fact, she almost deleted the email notifying her of the occasion, she said.

After graduating in the spring, Leger would like to attend graduate school to receive her doctorate in paleontology. Leger would like to go back to the South Dakota mammoth site, where it all started and where she also did a summer internship.

"Since I love it so much, I like to help someone else out," Leger said.

Leger was nominated for this award because she always goes above and beyond, but also because her dedication to geology and to all her school work, Pope said. Usually Pope does not ask sophomores to conduct undergraduate research projects but he felt that Leger was dedicated enough to handle it. Not only did Pope help nominate Leger, he also got to present the award to her.

"I fell in love with it, I was just mesmerized by the whole concept. There were these giant mammoth footprints painted up the whole walk way and I remember jumping from footprint to footprint and then looking at my mom and saying that's what I want to do when I grow up," Leger said.

"I was blown away. I never expected any of this to happen. I just wanted to go to school, get my degree and work with mammoths," Leger said.

Receiving the award some of her professors received was an honor for Leger.

"To be ranked with my previous professors who have also received this award is just an overwhelming feeling. I mean, these are all people I have looked up to as mentors,"



TOP GEOLOGY STUDENT Ashley Leger talks of how she won her award, while showing the Mammoth bones.

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International students, faculty, and the Maryville community, flood the International Plaza for this past Friday's 11th annual flag raising ceremony.

FLAG RAISING



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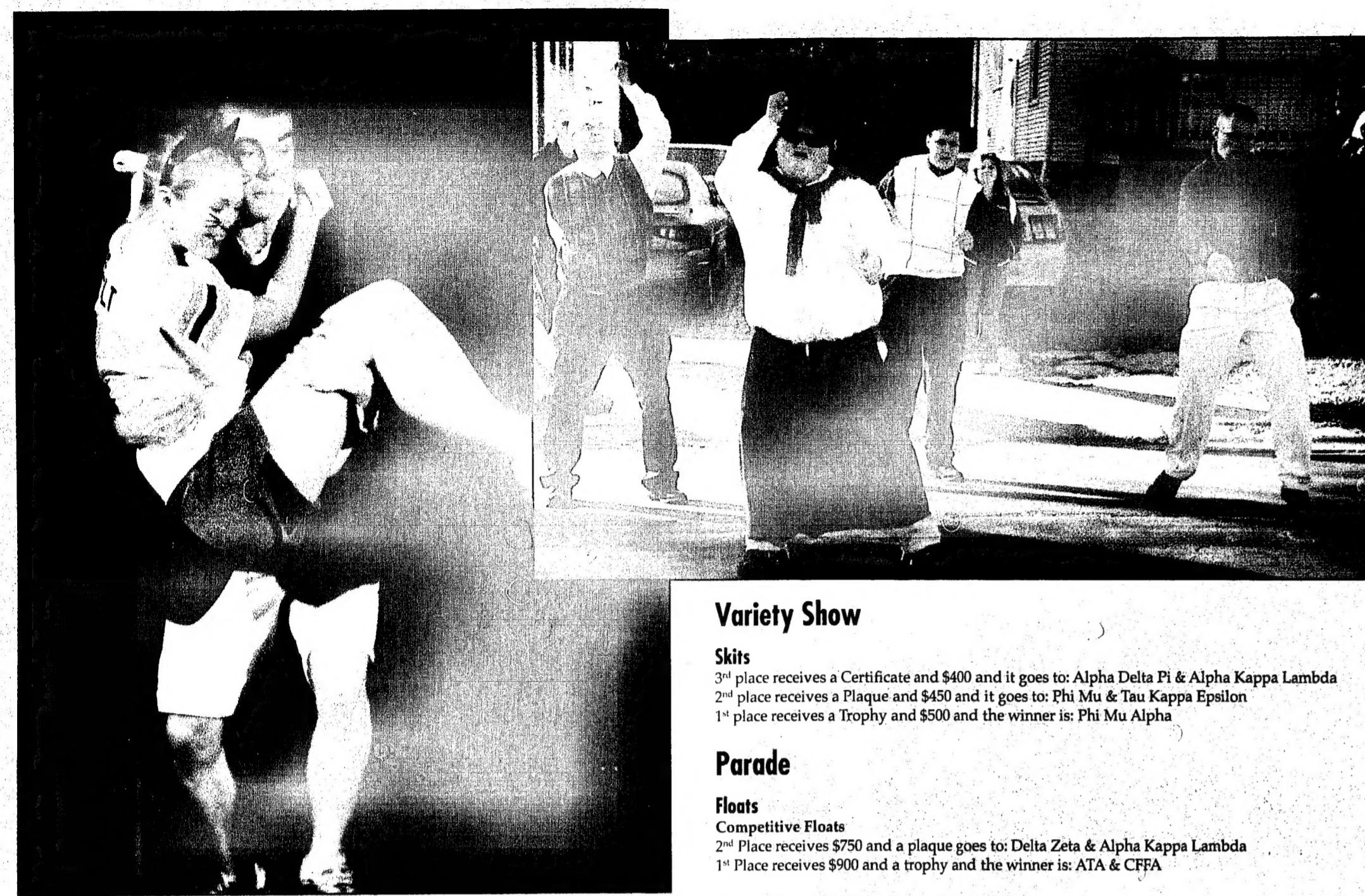
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KRISTIN REMBOLT AND Brandon Clark compete in the Homecoming Variety Show. Phi Mu Alpha won this year's overall competition.

## Homecoming 2008 results



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### Variety Show

#### Skits

3<sup>rd</sup> place receives a Certificate and \$400 and it goes to: Alpha Delta Pi & Alpha Kappa Lambda  
2<sup>nd</sup> place receives a Plaque and \$450 and it goes to: Phi Mu & Tau Kappa Epsilon  
1<sup>st</sup> place receives a Trophy and \$500 and the winner is: Phi Mu Alpha

#### Parade

##### Floots

Competitive Floots  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place receives \$750 and a plaque goes to: Delta Zeta & Alpha Kappa Lambda  
1<sup>st</sup> Place receives \$900 and a trophy and the winner is: ATA & CFFA

##### Highly Competitive Floots

3<sup>rd</sup> Place receives \$1700 and a plaque goes to: Phi Mu & Delta Chi  
Sigma Kappa & Alpha Gamma Rho  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place receives \$2100 and a plaque goes to: Alpha Sigma Alpha & Tau Kappa Epsilon  
1<sup>st</sup> Place receives \$2500 and a trophy and the winner is: Sigma Sigma Sigma & Phi Sigma Kappa

##### Overall Best Parade

The Year's Winner of Best Parade in the Competitive Division is: Sigma Society  
This Year's Winner of Best Parade in the Sorority Division is: Sigma Sigma Sigma  
The Year's Winner of Best Parade in the Fraternity Division is: Phi Sigma Kappa

##### Supremacy

Competitive - Sigma Society  
Highly Competitive Sorority - Alpha Sigma Alpha  
Highly Competitive Fraternity - Phi Sigma Kappa

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community news editor

MEMBERS OF  
Phi Delta Theta  
dance during  
the Homecom-  
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The men chose  
to dance to  
the theme of  
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# NWMISSOURIAN SPORTS

## MHS FOOTBALL

### Senior returns from injury in district route

By Christopher Woodland  
Community Sports Editor

Big plays and defense continue to produce wins for Maryville as they thumped Trenton 40-7 Friday night in the "Hound Pound."

The Spoofhounds' first drive began 98 yards away from a touchdown, but a 70-yard run by senior running back Adam Mattson gave Maryville a lead they would never relinquish.

Senior John Schreck also scored in the

opening quarter on a 28-yard reverse. The 'Hounds ended the first quarter ahead 20-0.

The 'Hounds offense fell into a slump in the second quarter though and didn't score again until less than a minute in the half.

"It's just so frustrating," head coach Chris Holt said. "The last couple weeks, we've not practiced with great energy and great effort, and that leads to second quarters like that. We're going to run into some better competition, and we're going to get never relinquish.

Senior John Schreck also scored in the

second quarter and didn't execute that well," junior tight end Adam Thompson said. "At halftime the coaches just told us we weren't working hard enough."

Trenton added a late touchdown on an Ethan Bunnell quarterback sneak.

By that point in the game Holt had already pulled the starters and let the junior varsity gain some varsity experience.

Mattson and Farmer each ran for more yards than the entire Trenton offense gained.

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## SPOTLIGHT



KATIE SWENSON, RACHEL NISI and SARA FALCONE (from left to right) get the chance to team up once again in college.

## COUGARS TO 'CATS

### High school trio stick together by becoming Bearcats

By Christopher Woodland  
Community Sports Editor

For the better part of a decade, whenever Northwest setter Katie Swenson has put the ball up, more often than not either Rachel Nisi or Sara Falcone

have been nearby.

In many years together, they have traveled from coast to coast and won

championships, but always stayed close.

During their time at Gross High, they traveled to San Francisco where they participated in a tournament and defeated the California state champions.

Earlier this year, they went to New York City for a tournament.

"It was so much fun. We went to the Statue of Liberty, and ground zero and everything," Swenson said.

During their free time in New York, they also came

into contact with a Chinatown entrepreneur of sorts.

"In Chinatown we went and got rip of pants," Nisi said. "The guys call it 'over' and they looked to make sure nobody was walking by. They opened this door in the back, and then they would let us out until they were sure that nobody was walking by."

While at Gross High, the trio helped bring a Nebraska state volleyball champion to the Cougars. Nisi and Swenson topped off their high school career with a 35-3 senior year record, and a win over Elkhorn in the state championship game.

The trio split up briefly following very successful high school volleyball careers, but teamed back up after a year apart to join the Bearcat volleyball team.

Nisi and Swenson have been playing volleyball together since eighth grade but knew each other even before that.

"We lived by each other for a while, and played volleyball together,"

Swenson said. "Rachel's dad was good friends with my parents."

The youngest of the three, Falcone met Nisi and Swenson through league

## NW FOOTBALL

### Ichabods pose defensive threat

By Marcus Meade  
Sports Editor

Over the last three years, the Ichabods have become quite a nuisance for the Bearcat football team during conference play.

Last season, they held the lead until a touchdown with less than a minute remaining gave the 'Cats a one-point lead. Two years ago, they kept things close against the 'Cats losing 32-26. And three years ago, Washburn handed Northwest their last conference loss.

"They're very well coached on both sides of the ball," coach Mel Tjeerdema said. "Defensively, they always match up with us real well. They're a physical team so we have to be physical when we play them. So,

it's a good match up, and it's been a good match up."

This season, Washburn enters its show down with the 'Cats on a four game winning streak, all conference wins. The streak comes on the heels of two conference losses in a row, one to Central Missouri and a surprising loss to Fort Hays.

Washburn appeared to be struggling at the quarterback position early in the year, Tjeerdema said. Now, they've settled redshirt freshman Dane Simoneau. Simoneau had been splitting time with sophomore Jake Swanson.

"Offensively, they've just been up and down," Tjeerdema said. "They're a physical team so we have to be physical when we play them. So,



JUNIOR STRONG SAFETY Ike Urum-ek strips the ball from Fort Hays quarterback Anthony Smith in Saturday's homecoming victory. Urum-ek recorded two tackles for a loss and a forced fumble during the game.

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## MHS GOLF

### Tough course, nerves don't keep team from enjoying state experience

By Dustin Sander  
Assistant Sports Editor

Maryville golf suffered from nerves and inexperience Monday and Tuesday at the state tournament.

The Spoofhounds finished in ninth place in state competition at the Fremont Hills Golf Course in Nixa, Mo. Their top finisher was sophomore Shannon McClellan in 57th place. She was the only team member who had been to the state tournament before.

McClellan said the girls had a lot of fun and had a great experience even though the results weren't what all the girls had hoped for.

"It was a great weekend," coach Brenda Ricks said. "It was a great experience for them. None of them played as

great as they wanted to but I don't think anybody, not even them, understands the pressure they're under."

The girls experienced something they never faced before in their young careers, a gallery. With the exception of McClellan, no one had played with much of an audience.

"It was really different. Normally, we have people come watch us, but they don't clap and stuff," senior Kim Hanna said. "It was a little awkward, but you get used to it after the first couple of holes."

Ricks and the girls all said the biggest challenge was the course they were playing.

The course showed no resemblance to their home course at Mozingo Lake.

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VOLLEYBALL

## Blue Ladies own 'Pink Out'

By Brian Bosiljevac  
University Sports Editor

Tuesday night was the annual "Pink Out," where fans are asked to join the Northwest volleyball team in "spiking out breast cancer."

The 717 fans in attendance, new volleyball record, could not help the Bearcats upset No. 7 Washburn. The loss dropped Northwest to 7-15 overall and 4-6 in the MIAA.

Both Tool and Hanna agreed it was no surprise to see the freshman step up and play such a key role for the team. The two said they had been working on pushing the ball to Hanna's side a lot in practice and felt confident in her ability to carry that over into the game.

In the second set it looked like the 'Cats were going to take control of the match early jumping out to a 3-0 lead, but then a dry spell giving up seven straight points to the Lady Blues.

"I just don't think everyone was as focused as when we started," Hanna said. "They came out and thought we were going good. We kind of let back and took off some when we should have just kept going."

"I think it (the improvement) came from our practices," sophomore Sara Falcone said. "We've been working on speeding up

our offense and not running slow ball to the outside. We're really working on our shots. I think that played a big part because we were more aggressive and ready to go."

The 'Cats were led by their freshman hitter Alex Hanna in set one. Hanna tallied five kills.

The team was impressed with its ability to fight and inability to give up. The team continued to hustle and make rallies even when behind to the nationally ranked squad.

"It says even though we're young, we feel we can beat anyone," Tool said. "I think that is huge for them not to settle for just competing. They want to go after it and fight for the win every time."

The record setting crowd did not go home empty handed though. They did get to witness one Bearcat reach a milestone, as sophomore captain Paige Spangenberg became the 12th 'Cat to record 1,000 digs.

The 'Cats will have their next chance to come away with a win at 7 p.m. Friday at Fort Hays.

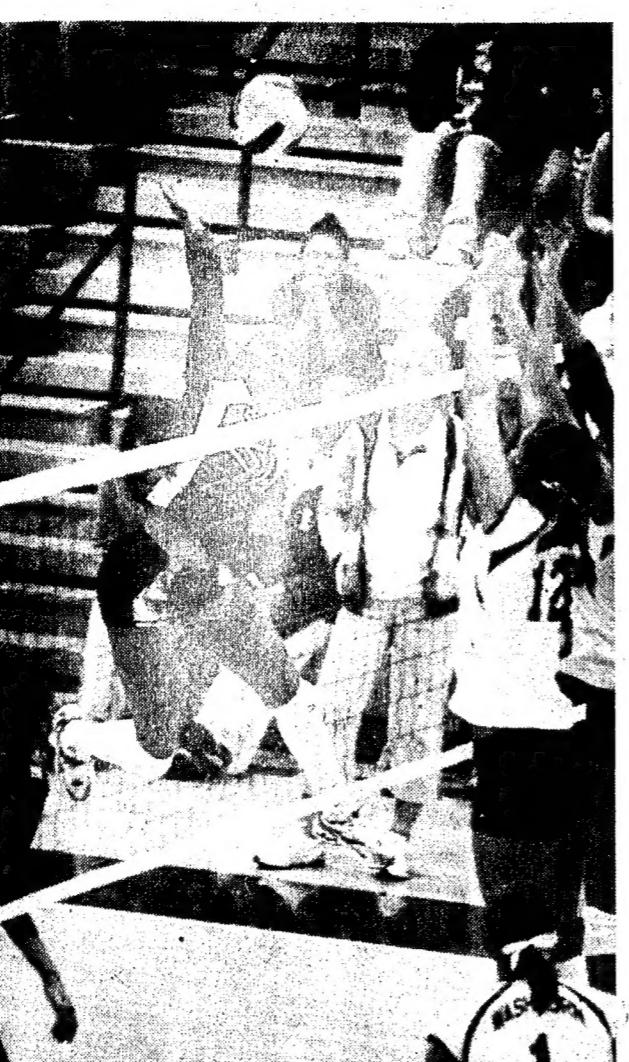


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SOPHOMORE OUTSIDE HITTER Leslie Hoskins attempts to record a kill in Washburn's 3-0 sweep of Northwest. Hoskins had 6 kills on the night.

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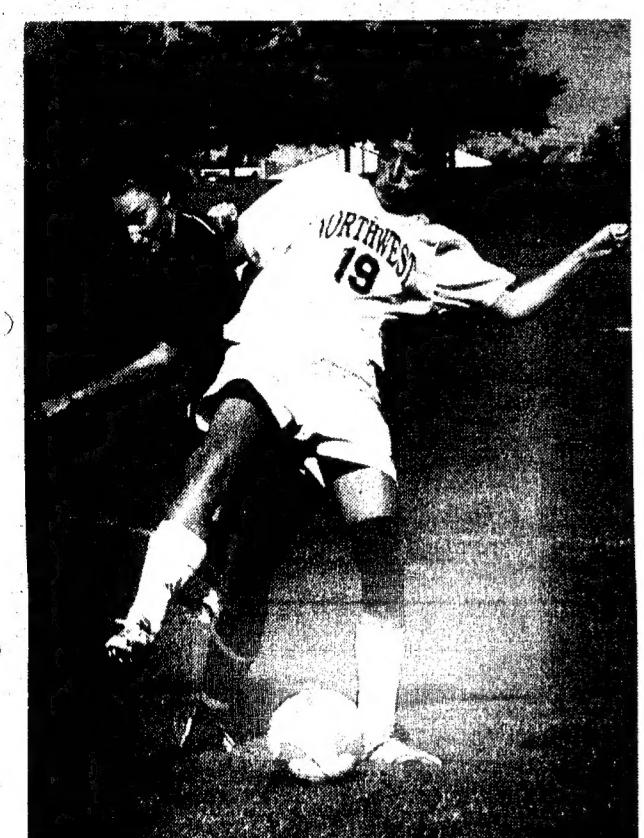


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THE BEARCATS DROPPED another close battle last weekend. Kiera Lazenby made a season-high 13 saves for the 'Cats Saturday, but the offense was unable to produce a goal as they lost 1-0 to Washburn on Saturday. Five of their six losses have come by one goal. The 'Cats play Emporia today at 2 p.m.

## 'CATS: Women continue their friendship into college

Continued from B1

"I recruited Katie Swenson from high school in the first spring I was here," head coach Anna Tool said. "The following January, Rachel Nisi checked with us about transferring from Midland Lutheran College.

She's someone we hadn't really looked at when she was in high school, but she was interested in transferring, and that just happened to go to the same high school."

For Nisi, the chance to play with her high school friends and teammates gave her extra incentive to move to Maryville.

"(Katie) had a lot of impact because she was already here, and my coach had talked to her, and I knew Sara was working on coming here," Nisi said.

Now in their second year together as Bearcats, Nisi was named team-captain. Swenson leads the team in assists for the second straight season, and Falcone is fourth in kills.

Their role in the group does not change once they step on the court.

"Rachel is definitely the most vocal of the three, and kind of out-

wardly shows her energy and emotion. She's definitely a high energy player out there," Tool said. "Katie is definitely more reserved, and Sara is kind of in the middle between the two, who can be somewhat of a talker at times, but then also kind of on the quiet side."

Despite the long friendship, they are still learning new details about each other.

"I'm ambidextrous," Swenson said.

"What?" Nisi said.

"I write with my right hand, but play sports with my left," Swenson said.

"I'm really impressed with our swings tonight, we had a lot of really good, hard hits," Klaus said. "Not a lot of errors and a lot of good kills."

Following Monday's victory over Fairfax, the 'Hounds traveled to Smithville, to take on the Warriors.

## WASHBURN: Defense may be difference against Ichabods

Continued from B1

Ultimately, it may not be the Washburn defense that gives the 'Cats trouble; it may be a very athletic Ichabod defense, senior offensive lineman Jeremy Davis said.

"Defensively, they're probably the best defense we've seen so far," Davis said. "So, it's going to be a challenge for us."

The Ichabods allow 16.2 points and 327 yards per game with an emphasis on playing physical, Davis said. Tough defense, Davis said, is probably the reason Washburn has been able to compete with the 'Cats lately.

Northwest has the task of moving the ball on the Ichabods without the help of two-time All-American left tackle Reid Kirby who will miss his second week after arthroscopic knee surgery. Last week, sophomore Dane Wardenburg filled in and did well, Davis said, but missing a player of Kirby's caliber always hurts.

"Dane stepped in and did a phenomenal job," Davis said. "When Reid's not in the huddle though, you kind of miss a leadership. It's going to be up to me, Matt (Nelson) and Tom (Pestock) to step up for that missing link."

But Northwest has a tough defense of its own. Through eight games, the 'Cats are allowing 17.1 points and 299.2 yards per game, this after they allowed 72 points and 817 yards in their first two games.

Senior cornerback Brandon Clayton has watched his defense grow through the first eight games.

"It's been really important for us to get a win on senior night since we haven't the past two years," junior outside hitter Jessica From said. "Our seniors were really sad, so we wanted to pull this one out for them."

The 'Hounds took three games to defeat the visiting Bulldogs. Maryville lost the first game 25-18, and trailed 6-1 in the second when Klaus called a timeout. She called the timeout to try and keep Fairfax from getting too much of a lead, she said.

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## SCORE BY QUARTER

(2-6)	0	0	0	7	-7
(7-1)	14	14	21	7	-56

## TEAM STATISTICS

Northwest	Fort Hays
418	334
39	83
133	73
18	39
0-0	3-1
285	261
21	44
2-14	0-0
16-21-0	30-44-0
1-28	6-208
10.7	4.0
17	26
7-60	9.91
0-0	0-0
3 of 4	10 of 19
0 of 0	1 of 2

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Senior forward Jon Rogers goes up for a header from a corner kick during Monday's Senior Night game against LeBlond.

## SPOOFHOUNDS

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By Taylor Flora  
Missourian Reporter

dinary well, and it was just and overall well rounded game for us," Collins said.

Senior Jon Rogers led the Spooftounds with three goals on his own, while fellow seniors Hector Hernandez and Billy Stephenson and freshman Chris Holtman added one goal each.

"Jon really shows everybody how to play the game, said Collins. "He plays with this hunger to score."

In addition, senior goalie Christian Falcone left the game with a shutout before both Collins took him out in the second half so he could get recognition at his final home game.

The team played well together and as a unit, coach Stuart Collins said and beat LeBlond by the final score of 6-1.

"We moved the ball extra-

## HOUNDS: Boys move past Trenton, set to take on Bulldogs

Continued from B1

Trenton accumulated 117 yards against Maryville's stingy defense. Matson took two touchdowns and Farmer gained 130 yards and another pair of touchdowns on the ground.

Farmer also caught a pass he turned into a 30-yard touchdown just before halftime.

Maryville piled up 518 yards of total offense.

In addition to his first quarter touchdown, Schreck also led the defense with six tackles, four of which were for losses. Senior defensive end Tanner Walker and junior linebacker Evan Johnson both tallied 4.5 tackles (three for losses).

The Trenton game also saw the return of senior corner back Derok Johns who broke his leg in the pre-season jamboree. While he did not start, he entered the game once the 'Hounds had the outcome in hand and played a few series.

Depending on how well this week's practices go, Johns could see his first start of the season.

"If his leg reacts the way we think, and he can go out there and play football, then he's going to start," Holt said. "At this point in time, he's just got to get over the fatigue part of it just because it's the entire joint, and the mental part of just getting out there and running full speed."

After watching the first six games of his senior season on the sideline in street clothes, Johns is anxious to get back into the mix.

"It's still a little sore, but I'm just going to have to put it up with it, I guess," Johns said. "I've been missing it a lot so I'm ready to get back. I'm ready to just get back out and start be with the team, with my friends, and just fly around and hit somebody."

Johns' return also means one less player playing both ways for the 'Hounds. Farmer filled Johns' corner back spot this season, but Johns' return means Farmer will receive more resting time, and fresher legs on offense.

Maryville travels to South Harrison Friday for the second game of districts. The Bulldogs enter the game 5-3 after losing to MEC doormat LeBlond 9-7 last week.

"We're a lot bigger school than they are so we'll have a little bit of a psychological advantage out there," Holt said.

Maryville plays at 7 p.m. Friday in South Harrison.

## GOLF: Course causes problems for young team

Continued from B1

"It was a course like they've never played before," Ricks said. "It was real tight there was lots of out of bounds, and the fairways were lined with trees and holes. They had to have straight drives and the greens were really stick."

Sophomore Amy Van de Ven said the fairway was hard with shorter grass. This made hitting the ball like hitting off a dirt ground as opposed to Mozingo where the grass is softer and longer.

Next season, the girls want to play a variety of courses during the season. Fremont Hills featured Bermuda grass, which the girls never saw before Monday. Also, playing tighter courses would help the girls in the long run of the season unlike the wide-open Mozingo.

Ricks said she is looking forward to next season already. Her team this year had two sophomores and one freshman who all gained a lot of experience this weekend.

"We've had three girls that will go back to state next year," Ricks said. "I'm already looking forward to that."

## NORTHWEST & MARYVILLE HIGH

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

### Ike Urum-Eke Paige Spangenberg



Urum-Eke was one of many Bearcats to excel in the teams' 30-7 route of Fort Hays. Urum-Eke recorded six tackles, two tackles for loss, one forced fumble and one sack against the Tigers. The Northwest defense allowed 334 yards to the struggling Fort Hays offense.



Spangenberg reached a milestone in her career with her 1,000th dig Tuesday. Though the Bearcats didn't get a victory, she becomes the 12th person in Northwest history to record the feat. Spangenberg is in her second year with the 'Cats.

### Jon Rogers



Rogers, a senior, came up big in a night honoring seniors when he scored three goals against LeBlond Monday. His performance against LeBlond was duplicated Tuesday against Chillicothe when he scored another three goals to give his team a 3-2 victory.

### Shannon McClellan



McClellan led the Spooftounds girls golf team during the state tournament with a 57th place finish and a final score of 208. Her second round was her best when she should a 101. As a team, the 'Hounds finished ninth over the weekend.

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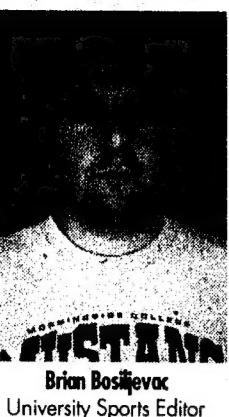
# THE EXTRA POINT

## 'The Express' opens the door to questions, emotions

After seeing the movie "The Express," I came away from the theater hating myself because of the color of my skin.

"The Express" is about Ernie Davis, the first black man to be awarded the Heisman Trophy. The movie covers Davis' life and the struggles he encountered as a black athlete in the 1950's. Davis played for a national championship football team at Syracuse, but he wasn't just playing to win a game, he was playing for a cause.

After watching white fans throw broken bottles at Davis as he entered the field, I began to feel ashamed. I was ashamed of white people,



Brian Bosley  
University Sports Editor

ashamed of my race. I left the movie hating myself for all of the cheap shots that went "unseen" by the racist referees. Mostly, I was ashamed there were so many people who felt there was nothing wrong with what they were doing; there were no feelings of remorse for such horrible actions.

Movies like these inevitably have me fighting back tears. Racism and segregation are things that no matter how hard I try, I will never understand. I know the movie takes place in a different time period, but I still have trouble believing people could be filled with such hatred.

"The Express" does a great job

bringing the tragedies of racism to life and educating those of us who were not around to see the atrocities first hand.

Although I left the theater with a feeling of hatred for the color of my skin, I also brought an extreme case of inspiration home with me that night.

I would have too much of the movie away because it was a great movie not only for sports fans but anyone. After seeing the many obstacles and challenges Davis was forced to overcome, I was left thinking there is nothing I couldn't accomplish. I know that's something we've heard ever since we were kids, but Davis believed it. He faced more adversity than most of us will ever encounter in our lives and overcame it.

Even though the movie made such a huge impact on me I know because I'm not black there is a

deeper meaning I will never see. In my final stage of emotion, "The Express" left me asking questions. How many other great athletes have we never heard of because segregation kept them from competing?

Unlike white athletes of that time, not only did black athletes have to be exceptionally good to make it to the collegiate level, they also had to have the will and desire to look past death threats, injustice from coaches and referees and so many more struggles white athletes never had to think twice about. How many athletes came before Davis who were good enough to receive awards like the Heisman but were discarded from the conversation because of the color of their skin? Davis was the first black man to win the Heisman, but I find it very hard to believe he was the first black man worthy of winning the Heisman.

The Stroller

## WHAT TO WATCH

### Marc's TV picks

**Friday**  
•War Games, DVD, 9 p.m. — It's a classic. Matthew Broderick stars as a hacker who accidentally causes and prevents nuclear war.

**Days rating (5 of 5)**

**Saturday**  
•Northwest at Washburn, LIVE, 1 p.m. — I've never been to Topeka, Kan. Should be fun — not the city, the game.

**Days rating (4 of 5)**

**Sunday**  
•Buffalo at Miami, CBS, noon — Forget the Chiefs; this game should be good. Two surprising teams that actually exceed expectations.

**Days rating (3 of 5)**

### Brian's TV picks

**Friday**  
•Fever Pitch, FX, 11 p.m. — One of my favorite movies of all time. Jimmy Fallon is perfect and hilarious.

**Days rating (5 of 5)**

**Saturday**  
•Nebraska at Baylor, Versus, 11:30 a.m. — A win here puts Nebraska only one win away from Bowl eligibility. Hell yes!

**Days rating (5 of 5)**

**Sunday**  
•Hook, TBS, 11 p.m. — After the World Series you can tune in for one of my childhood favorites. Rupuhoooooo.

**Days rating (4 of 5)**

### Wood's TV picks

**Friday**  
•Prediction record (1-3)  
NCAA Lock

Alabama at Tennessee — Bama

The Crimson Tide is a seven point favorite. Where is the respect?

Alabam is the No. 2 team in the country, the best team in the SEC and they are playing a Tennessee team that only has one conference win and owns a 3-4 record. The Vols have lost to every good SEC team they've played this year and now they will lose to the best.

**NCAA Upset**

Boston Co. at N. Carolina — BC

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**NFL Lock**

Buffalo at Miami — Bills

Dick Jauron has the Bills playing well and as we saw last week, teams have begun to find ways to stop the "Wildcat" offense.

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St. Louis at New England — Pats

The Rams pulled off a huge upset last week, but my rationale on this pick is how likely they are to do it two weeks in a row? Not very likely, plus did you see New England demolish the Broncos?

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Rays vs. Phillies — Phillies

The Rays have a fantastic thing, going right now. Everyone has been saying all year that it is just a matter of time before their hot streak ends and it hasn't. I don't particularly care if I'm wrong on this, good for the Rays if they pull it off. I just don't see them winning. Philadelphia hasn't tasted a championship in way too long, and they are hungry. Plus, maybe it's because I've been watching too much Royals baseball, but I have a hard time putting any faith in a guy with the last name Pena.

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## SPORTS STAFF GAME PICKS

### Marc's picks

Prediction record (2-2)

NCAA Lock

Michigan St. at Michigan — State  
Can it get any worse for the Wolverines? Sure it can. The Spartans are a tough, physical football team. Yeah, they took a pounding from Ohio State last week, but Michigan isn't Ohio State. Michigan isn't even Michigan right now. That's why the Spartans should roll.

**NCAA Upset**

Wake Forest at Miami — W.F.

I've thrown out the theory with my brother, a very knowledgeable sports man, that Riley Skinner is on the take. He threw four interceptions against Navy and played like crap against Maryland. These passes were atrocious cupcakes thrown right into the hands of defenders. That said, I'm looking for a bounce back from him. Wake can be the better team if they want to be.

**NFL Lock**

Oakland at Baltimore — Ravens

The Ravens' tough defense should make things tough on young, untaught, incapable quarterback JaMarcus Russell. On the bright side, Al Davis can't live forever. That's unrelated but relevant.

**NFL Upset**

San Diego at New Orleans — NO

The Saints don't have what I would call a "good team," but they do have a team. Their quarterback is great, and they have offensive weapons. All they need to do is outscore the Chargers.

**NFL Lock**

Rays vs. Phillies — Rays

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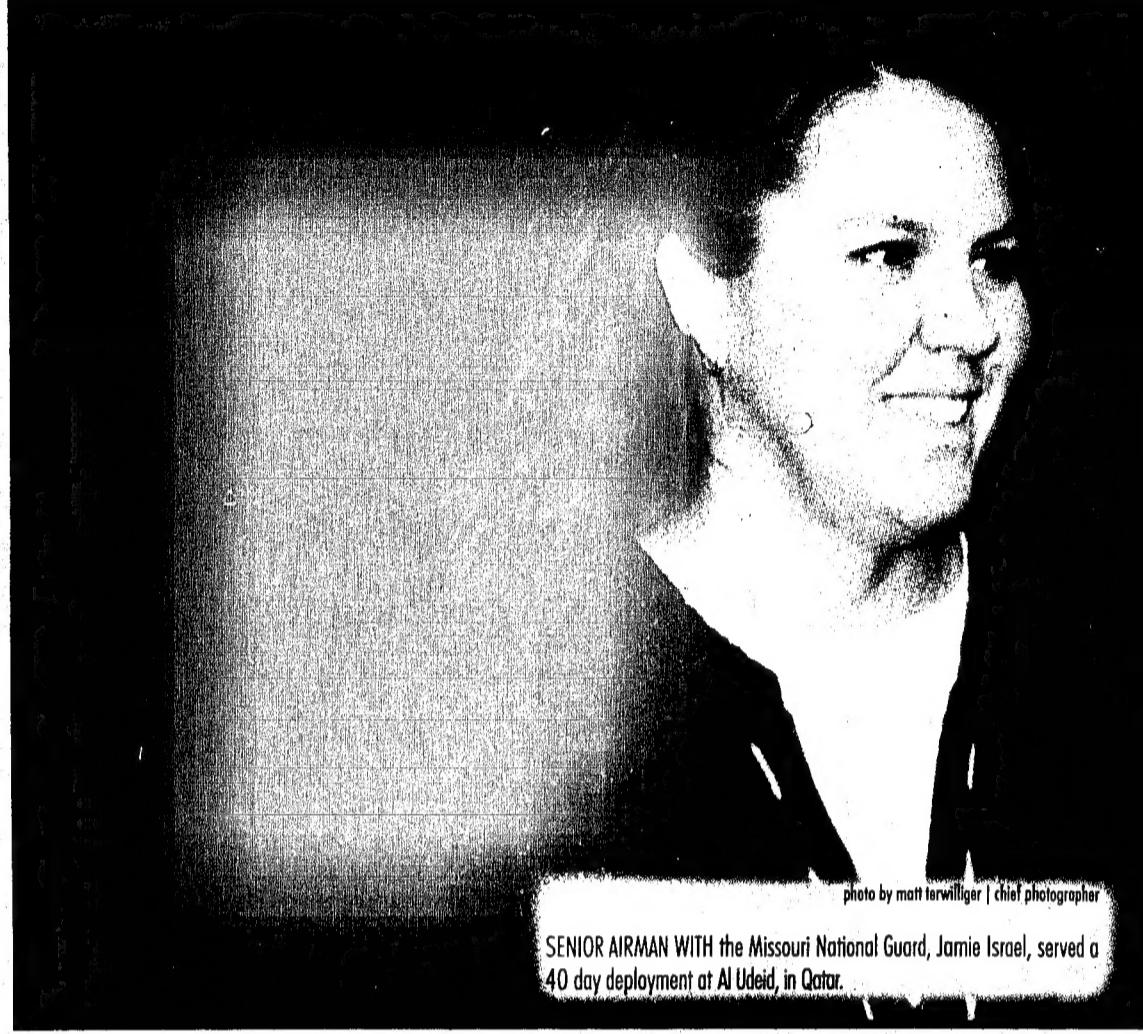
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# True life

## 'I'm affected by the election'



SENIOR AIRMAN WITH the Missouri National Guard, Jamie Israel, served a 40 day deployment at Al Udeid, in Qatar.



NORTHWEST SENIOR, WILLY DAINS, who has been with boyfriend Ryan for eight months, is affected by the presidential nominee's stand on same-sex marriage and civil unions.

### 'I want equal marriage rights'

By Sydney Moore  
Features Editor

A silver band on the left ring finger signifies commitment, love and unity. The simple ring can mean so much to the person wearing it and show the world how proud you are to be with the one you love.

Willy Dains wears his ring with boldness, dignity and courage. He also wears it to show his love for his boyfriend, Ryan.

Dains, 21, has been openly gay for three years. Telling his family and friends about his sexuality was a major life step, but Dains knew it was the right time to come out when he was 18.

"At first I was scared," he said. "It wasn't hard, it was just scary. The leading up to it was more difficult than actually coming out."

For Dains, the support of his family and friends helped to ease the situation.

"My family took it very well," he said. "My aunt's brother is gay, so it was easier for that part of the family."

"For the most part, my friends took it very well, also. Some I don't talk to anymore because they were just high school friends, but I still talk to my main friends."

Dains, and his boyfriend, Ryan, have been together for eight months. The couple, like all same-sex couples, is deeply affected by this year's presidential election.

Democratic nominee, Sen. Barack Obama has said he personally believes "marriage is between a man and a woman," but he supports granting civil unions to gay and lesbian couples.

Republican nominee, Sen. John McCain, however, does not agree with Sen. Obama's views on the topic. Although he has also stated marriage should solely be between a man and a woman, McCain says it should be regulated by each state.

The nominee's stand on the issue of same-sex unity is only one of the major topics that could potentially sway voters when they head to the polls on Nov. 4.

"I'm pretty much set," Dains said, in regards to who he will vote for. "I base my decision on the party, but knowing their stands on gay rights makes it all the better that I'm voting for Obama."

### 'I want affordable education'

By Lindsay Jacobs  
Copy Editor

She attends classes at the Northwest, not only to better her life, but the lives of her children.

Heather Green is a single-mother raising three sons: Tristan, 10, Jordan, 7 and Hayden, 5.

Tristan attends Maryville Middle School. Jordan is enrolled at Eugene Field Elementary School and Hayden attends Head Start. The three boys are full of laughs and infectious smiles fill their faces.

Their mother tells them to stop being so silly.

Every day the boys go to school, while their mother attends classes at Northwest. She is pursuing a degree in Speech Communications.

"I'm hoping to be able to obtain a good job, even if I have to start out in a starting position, but eventually my education will help me be able to move up into management or something like that. Not just have to stay at (an entry-level) position, therefore I can get paid better so that I can provide a decent life for me and my three boys," Green said.

In the upcoming election, one of the bigger issues she and her children face is education.

While she is trying to earn her degree, Green, like many others, is going in debt, she said. She realizes when she graduates she will pay more than she borrowed.

Green said she hopes her children's education helps prepare them for the future.

"Hopefully they're building on the skills they have from the previous year, but learning new things that will help them in the future," Green said.

Democratic nominee Sen. Barack Obama's ideas for education includes giving higher education students tax breaks, if they complete 100 hours of community service.

"I'm not opposed to doing community service at all. I think it would be hard for me to be able to complete those just because of my lifestyle. Now if I was younger and didn't have any of these responsibilities, I think that (tax credit) would be a really good thing," Green said.

However, she is curious where the money will come from and predicts taxpayers will foot the bill. The initiative would help people go to college who otherwise couldn't afford it, Green said.

If Republican nominee Sen. John McCain gets elected, one of his goals regarding education is simplifying the financial aid programs.

"I think that would be nice if there was an easier way to apply for scholarships and financial aid, a lot of times, you just don't know what's out there," Green said.

When she goes to the polls, she and her sons' future will be on her mind.

"I definitely think that probably one of the major stands of my decision making will be the topic of education and how it's going to affect me and the future of my kids," Green said.



### 'I want to stay in Iraq until the job is done'

By Sean Callahan  
Missourian Reporter

Life can be pretty easy in the country with the highest per capita income in the world. You can visit huge shopping malls with all the trendiest stores. You can eat at Chili's or Ruby Tuesday or, if you don't feel like going out, Burger King will deliver.

After dinner, you might drive past the \$2.8 billion sports complex built as part of a bid for the 2016 Olympic Games. Then, if you've seen enough of the city of Doha, you can drive 20 miles through the desert to Al Udeid Air Base and call your family back in the United States.

For Jamie Israel, a family and consumer sciences student who served at Al Udeid, life in Qatar, the desert nation east of Saudi Arabia, was anything but easy.

For 13 or 14 hours a day, six days a week, Israel drove a 6,000-gallon Petroleum, Oils and Lubricants (POL) truck used to refuel aircraft at the base. Some days she worked "the ramp," where fuel was stored in 210,000-gallon fabric-coated "bladders."

Israel, a Senior Airman with the Missouri Air National Guard, volunteered for a 40 day deployment from December 2007 to January 2008. Her husband Ben, a Master Sergeant with the 139th Security Forces Squadron of the Guard, had previously been deployed to Saudi Arabia in September 2002, returning on Christmas Eve that year.

Unlike Jamie, Ben had already served in

the Guard for eight years and did not expect to be sent overseas, he said.

"All of a sudden, September 11th happened. Reality struck," he said.

Before deploying to Qatar, Jamie was required to prepare for the worst, she said. She drew up a will, set power of attorney and burial arrangements and completed a family care plan, which designated guardians for her two sons, Coby, seven and Caden, five.

She bought the boys a globe to help them understand where she was going.

"I told them, 'This is where you guys are, and this is where Mommy's going to be,'" she said.

While Jamie was stationed in Qatar, Ben took time off from his regular job as a Highway Patrolman to take care of Coby and Caden. Jamie said the time without her kids was difficult, but she called and sent letters regularly.

Although their enlistment in the Guard precludes them from revealing their choice of candidates, Jamie and Ben said their military experience has shaped their political views and opinions regarding the upcoming election.

For one thing, Ben could be redeployed if necessary, which may depend on the decisions of the next president and Congress, Jamie said. Still, she hopes the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan continue until a clear victory is achieved.

"We will show weakness with the military pulling out of the war too soon," she said. "If

we end too quickly, we will be back where we were in 2001."

The leadership, discipline and patriotism developed in the military are important qualities for candidates, Israel said.

"I think every person who runs for office should have enlisted," she said.

Benefits are important to the family as well. Ben is eligible for retirement from the Guard in about six years, and Jamie relies on tuition assistance for her education.

Jamie's military benefits allowed her to return to Northwest, she said. Her tuition is covered, and she pays only partial fees for books, technology, health and activities. She also receives \$667 a month to help with additional costs.

She plans to teach family and consumer sciences after graduating from Northwest.

"It's so sad what's going on with the economy," she said, adding, "I'm excited to teach the financial aspect, about credit cards and balancing checkbooks. I want to teach kids to live within their means."

Jamie previously earned a degree in criminal justice, but teaching will provide a stable career with a better schedule, she said.

Whatever the future holds for United States and its military, Jamie hopes the country will continue to support its troops.

"At first, you would hear about how appreciative people were," she said. "After a year, people blamed the military. They have to understand that we take orders from higher ups."